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## WPAC welcomes Grammy nominated artist, Tom Wurth

**Tess Nelson**  
 The Red Oak Express

It is a homecoming of sorts for Nashville songwriter and recording artist Tom Wurth, who will perform at the Wilson Performing Arts Center in Red Oak Thursday, Sept. 15.

Wurth was born in Creston and his brother, Bobby, at the Montgomery County Memorial Hospital in Red Oak. His parents, Joe and Peg Wurth, were teachers for several years in the Corning Community School District.

By the time Tom was about ready to start school, the family had moved to northwest Iowa, near the Marcus area. Thomas received his first guitar lesson from his father during an Iowa snowstorm when he was around 6 years old.

"My mom got snowed in at church at choir practice, so it was just my dad, my brother and me. We're talking white out conditions... Dad was sitting there playing at the kitchen table; it was John Denver's Back Home Again, and we were singing along. Dad asked if I wanted to learn how to play the guitar, which he could teach me, or the piano, which my mother could teach me," Tom recalled. "I chose the guitar. He gave me my first lesson that night and that is how it started, and from there, it kept going."

In high school, Tom said the class took a trip to Nashville, where he automatically felt at home. He convinced his parents he'd move to Nashville and attend Belmont University, where he could get a music business degree. He attended college for one year.

"I'm pretty sure my dad knew it was the excuse I needed to get me to Nashville," he chuckled.

With no inclination to continue his proper education, Thomas made his way to Music Row and started meeting people and writing songs, which led to demo singing. By the age of 20, Thomas had been nominated for a Grammy for songwriting.

He signed as a staff writer with Belden, but after a year moved to BMG Music Publishing. At BMG he accumulated two major record label cuts, one for Ty Herndon and Ken Mellons.

"I've had three publishing deals, three singles, three records, and three top 30 hits. We haven't even reached the end of the story yet."

Over the years Wurth has collaborated with Eddie Money, Vince Gill, Billy Dean, Marty Stuart, Clay Walker, LoCash, Billy Currington, Rascal Flatts, Larry Gatlin and many more.

Wurth said when he moved to Nashville there was no back up plan in case things didn't work out. He added, the lessons he learned growing up in the Hawkeye state helped



Wurth

him along the way. "It was all or nothing for me," he said. "I have that Iowa mentality of always working, always digging deeper."

During his performance in Red Oak, Wurth said he will play songs people have heard of before, play new music, share stories of what's gotten him to where he is today and the music and artists that inspire him.

"I like to get the audience involved; that is really big for me," Wurth said. "I'm excited to come back to my home state and play for folks. It brings back a lot of memories, and reminds me of where I came from."

Tickets for the Thursday, Sept. 15 show are available by calling the Wilson Performing Arts Center at 712-623-3183. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$20 for students.



Kennedy DeVries of Red Oak showed the champion Hampshire market hog and reserve champion heavyweight commercial gilt at the Iowa State Fair. (Empire Photography)

## DeVries wins champion Hampshire hog at ISF

**Tess Nelson**  
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Kennedy DeVries of Red Oak had an overly successful August with her 4-H swine entries. On Aug. 7, she was a two-time champion at the All-Iowa Showdown, where she exhibited the Grand Champion Market Hog and Grand Champion Gilt.

Two weeks later she exhibited the same two entries at the Iowa State Fair in Des Moines and walked away with Champion Hampshire Market Hog and Reserve Champion Heavyweight Commercial Gilt.

"The last few weeks have been very memorable," DeVries said.

She explained, her family has been

raising pigs for decades and she has been showing them since she was old enough to remember. A sophomore at Red Oak High School, DeVries has been showing pigs at the Iowa State Fair since she was 10 years old.

"It's something I've been very familiar with for a long time," she explained.

Her favorite part about showing pigs is the people she gets to meet. She said in the past couple years she has met countless people who understand and support her.

DeVries explained it takes a lot in order for her pigs to be prepared for the state fair, which includes proper feeding and working with their skin and hair.

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## More than 200 attend annual fly in potluck at Red Oak airport



The Red Oak Airport was filled with rows and rows of aircraft as pilots from across the U.S. had a layover in Red Oak on their way to the Antique Airport Association's Invitational fly-in. While at the Red Oak Municipal Airport, they enjoyed a picnic. (Photo provided)

**Nick Johansen**  
 The Red Oak Express

The Red Oak Airport once again held its annual picnic welcoming pilots from all over the world as they travelled to the annual Antique Airplane Association Invitational fly-in Aug. 30-Sept. 5.

The annual event draws as many as 300 antique aircraft any given year. Last year's fly-in drew 212 participants, though the show was hampered with some inclement weather. Pilots who stopped at Red Oak for a layover on their way to Blakesburg, Iowa, were treated to a potluck feed, with entrees provided by Chad and Mandy Hill.

The Red Oak Airport's annual picnic event on Aug. 30 was attended by 203 people, and 41 classic and antique aircraft landed at the airport for a layover.

Pilots who have visited the airport for the annual picnic have flown in from as far as New Hampshire, Florida, and Michigan. Among the reasons they've cited for making the stop include the hospitality they receive from the airport staff and the community, the facility's three runways, the great fuel prices, and the pride in ownership.

Nick Hildreth, one of the organizers of the event, said Red Oak's airport remains one of the best in the country for a number of reasons.

"It has crosswind runways, and it has the nice grass runway that is conducive to landing antique airplanes. I think we've had this here for about nine years now, said Hildreth.

Being able to host the annual event in conjunction with events in Blakesburg, Hildreth said, is very rewarding.

"It's a Red Oak pilots picnic that comes at the right time of year for us to invite these travelers from across the country to join us. They look forward to it, and so do we. We sometimes have around 40 airplanes here, and I'd say half of those pilots have joined us just to attend this specific event," Hildreth commented.

Volunteer Many Hill, who has cooked for the annual event for the past six years, said she and husband Chad love to participate every year.

"For me, I enjoy making the food for everyone. I love cooking. We make burgers and hot dogs for everyone. For my husband, he loves to see all of the vintage airplanes coming in," Hill said.



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# County denied funding for creek sign program

Nick Johansen  
The Red Oak Express

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors tackled a light agenda at its regular meeting Aug. 30.

County engineer Karen Albert updated the supervisors on efforts to receive a grant to pay for the placement of signs on creeks and bridges. Albert said it was a no-go.

"The NRCS informed us that we did not receive any grants from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources County Creek Sign grant program. It was a grant we had applied for to put signs on the watersheds and the creeks. The supervisors issued a letter of support for the grant, but it seems like they had a lot of people apply for it," Albert said.

Supervisors Charla Schmid said the DNR notice indicated the awards were for the first round of grants, and speculated whether the county may be eligible for a grant in the next round of funding.

Albert said she was not sure if another grant cycle was pending for County Creek Sign grant program but said she would be contacted by DNR representatives if another round came up. Schmid expressed her disappointment in the county's failure to secure a grant.

"It's too bad, it's almost kind of sad, but I guess with 99 counties

all applying there was a lot of competition," stated Schmid.

While they were unable to secure those grants, Albert said weed superintendent Damien Bond had good news in applying for four roadway trust fund grants for equipment.

"All four of the grants were awarded to us, and include \$3,000 for herbicide equipment, \$1,056 for equipment and accessories for a chipper, \$6,000 for a drop feeder, and \$2,059 for chainsaws, totaling \$12,115 in grant funds awarded. Damien is extremely pleased that all four of Montgomery County's grant requests were approved," commented Albert.

Albert also advised the supervisors that a number of county buildings, including the engineer's office, had been sprayed with a polyurethane acrylic coating to stop any leaks. She also announced a return to the usual schedule after Labor Day.

"We're going back to eight hour days, five days a week. We did get a lot of positive feedback from people with the adjusted work week, and we'll probably be implementing it again next summer," Albert said.

Albert also advised the supervisors that at 5:30 p.m. Sept. 7, the Montgomery County Planning and Zoning Commission would meet to discuss and take possible action on an ordinance regarding the Summit Carbon pipeline project. The meeting is slated to be held at the Montgomery County Secondary Roads office at 406 W. 4th St.



## Grassley stops in Red Oak

U.S. Sen. Chuck Grassley, pictured center, was in Red Oak on Aug. 30 as part of his 99-county tour. Grassley met with constituents at Agri-Solutions, where he discussed issues such as the high cost of fertilizer and answered audience questions. (Photo submitted)

## Ag prices for July

The average price received by farmers for corn during July 2022 in Iowa was \$7.44 per bushel according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service - Agricultural Prices report. This was 4 cents below the June price but \$1.22 above July 2021.

The July 2022 average price received by farmers for soybeans, at \$15.50 per bushel, was 70 cents below the June price but \$1.10 above the July 2021 price.

The July average oat price per bushel, at \$6.08, was 23 cents below June but \$2.39 above July 2021.

All hay prices in Iowa averaged \$150 per ton in July. This was unchanged from the June price but \$4 below the July 2021 price. The July 2022 alfalfa hay price, at \$160, was \$3 above the previous month but \$9 below July 2021. The average price received for other hay during July was \$135 per ton. This was \$5 above both the June price and July last year.

The average price for milk was \$23.60 per cwt, \$2.30 below the June price but \$5.80 above July 2021.

## Robinson and Schmid recap ISAC experience

Nick Johansen  
The Red Oak Express

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors held discussion regarding a familiar topic at its Aug. 30 meeting: The Summit Carbon Pipeline.

Supervisors Donna Robinson and Charla Schmid, who both attended the recent Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC) Annual Conference the week of Aug. 22, were tasked with talking with other area supervisors about their plans for the carbon pipeline being potentially built through their communities.

Robinson said there was a lot of discussion regarding pipeline plans, including presentations from Snyder & Associates Engineering, which the supervisors recently selected to coordinate pipeline inspections if the plans proceed. Robinson said Shelby County representatives also held separate seminars.

"They spoke about the Shelby County ordinance, which we have a copy of, and everyone seems to be using it as a model, based on what was discussed from those seminars. Shelby County officials really put a lot of time into this," Robinson commented.

In addition, Robinson said they were also given a draft of a resolution passed in Dickinson County, but Robinson favored the ordinance.

"Based on the general discussion, it was felt that an ordinance has more teeth, and has more strength to it than simply passing a resolution," advised Robinson.

Robinson also felt, after attending the conference, that it might be best to par-



Supervisor Donna Robinson, left, and County Auditor Jill Ozuna enjoy a lighthearted moment at the Board of Supervisors meeting Aug. 30. (Nick Johansen/The Red Oak Express)

ticipate more with the drafting of the carbon pipeline ordinance.

"Different counties mentioned that their board of supervisors are doing this work right along with their planning and zoning boards," commented Robinson. "However, since the planning and zoning board is a volunteer position, maybe the board should consider putting a little more time into it and help out the planning and zoning board with information, anything they want, and anything we feel would be pertinent. Basically, working together."

Schmid advised there were two lawyers present who didn't discourage the counties from using the Shelby County ordinance as a template, but urged them all to study it carefully.

"They said this is a great ordinance for Shelby County, but there are a lot of things in it that are very specific to that county. If we do model off of that, we really need to go through it, line by line, to make sure it's

pertinent to our county," stated Schmid.

Currently, there are three proposed lines going through the state, the Summit Carbon pipeline, one going across the center of the state, and one traveling through Eastern Iowa, and one major concern remains the effect it will have on the housing market.

"One of the things Shelby County is concerned about is that if it goes in and is within a few miles of their major towns, they have basically eliminated any possibility of housing in that area in the future. There's so much trickle down effect to this that we haven't realized," Robinson said.

Robinson added the proposed project was going to continue to consume a good portion of the supervisors time for the immediate future.

The letter of intent for a contract with Snyder & Associates for pipeline inspection services is currently under review by County Attorney Drew Swanson.

## Spencers take home ISF ribbons

Aspiring cooks between the ages of 6 and 11 squared off in 23 classes of competition to win top honors in the Casey's Junior Favorite Creations contest, judged Thursday, Aug. 18, at the 2022 Iowa State Fair. The local results are as follows:

Casey's Junior Favorite Creations - Candy & Snacks - Snack Mix: third place, Addison Spencer, Stanton.

Casey's Junior Favorite Creations - Cookies & Bars - Peanut Butter Cookies: third place, Addison Spencer, Stanton.

Casey's Junior Favorite Creations - Cookies & Bars - Snickerdoodle Cookies: second

place, Addison Spencer, Stanton. Casey's Junior Favorite Creations - Cookies & Bars - Other Than Named: first place, Addison Spencer, Stanton.

Casey's Junior Favorite Creations - Overall Winners: third place, Addison Spencer, Stanton.

Additionally, young bakers put their best bar cookies to the test in the King Arthur Baking Co. Kids Bar Contest, judged Thursday, Aug. 18, at the 2022 Iowa State Fair.

Clark Spencer of Stanton earned second place. Entries were judged on taste, texture and creativity.

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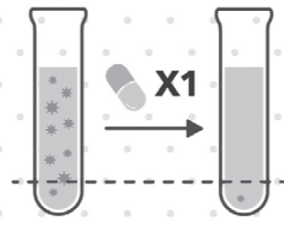
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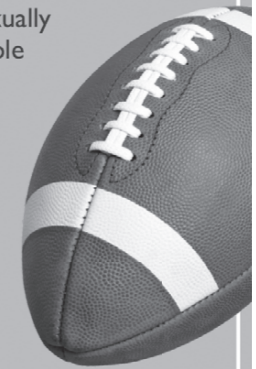
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STANLEY ARCHER, 79

Stanley Dean Archer, 79, Clarinda, passed away Aug. 24, 2022.

Stan was born May 25, 1943, to Jack and Vesta Archer in rural Villisca. He graduated with the Class of 1961 from Villisca High School. After graduation, he enlisted in the National Guard. Stan worked for Davison Oil Company before purchasing what was later known as Stan's Apco. In 1962, he married Joan Perry of Clarinda, and they later divorced. In 1997 he married Leisa Reed of Maryville, Mo.

One of Stan's favorite hobbies was racing stock cars throughout Iowa and Nebraska, even winning a points championship in his number 73 late model Mustang at Adams County Speedway. Stan also enjoyed spending time on the water, NASCAR, tinkering on anything with a motor, and his family. In 1980, he built, owned, and operated Stan's Kawasaki. In March of 2007, he sold the business and worked full-time as a rural mail carrier before retiring in 2016.

Stan leaves behind his wife, Leisa Archer of Clarinda; his daughters, Dana (Mick) King of Prairie City, and Dyanne (Ted) York of Clarinda; sons, Craig (Carmen) Archer of Red Oak, and Alex Archer of Denver, Colo.; grandchildren, Josh (Kaylee) King of Colfax, Avery (fiancé Ryan Kieffer) of Colo, Carson King of Prairie City, Matthew Millikan of Altoona, Paige Millikan of Clarinda, Andrew York of Clarinda, and Bridgett Archer of Red Oak; great-grandchildren, Reid and Cash King of Colfax; sisters-in-law, Janet (Terry) Root of St. Joseph, Mo.; Teresa (Al) Chavez of Kisse Mills, Mo.; Jan Archer of Corning; and brother-in-law, Leon (Marilyn) Reed of Fairfax, Mo.; along with many nieces, nephews and friends.

Preceding Stan in death were his parents; his sister, Janice (Jim) Scott; his brother, Glenn Archer; and his in-laws, Ferman and Betty Reed of Maryville.

A celebration of life visitation took place Sunday, Aug. 28, 2022, at Walker-Merrick-Billings Funeral Chapel in Clarinda. A private family celebration will take place at a later time.

Memorials may be directed to The Carson King Foundation, 8130 S. 104th Ave. W., Prairie City, IA 50228.

CARMEN LUNDBERG, 92

Carmen Elaine Lundberg, 92, Essex, passed away Sunday, Aug. 28, 2022, at the Montgomery County Memorial Hospital in Red Oak.

Carmen was born Oct. 19, 1929, near Essex, on the Falk family farm where she had lived all of her life until moving to Arlington Place in Red Oak. She was the daughter of Glen and Wendla (Tillman) Falk.

Preceding her in death were her parents; and husband, Jim Lundberg.

Survivors include her daughters, Gail Ginger of Bennington, Neb.; Annette Johnson of Red Oak; and Michelle Irvin of Simsbury, Conn.; nine grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life service was held Saturday, Sept. 3, 2022, at the Bethesda Lutheran Church. Burial, along with her husband Jim, took place in the Bethesda Lutheran Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to the Bethesda Lutheran Cemetery Association.

Nelson-Boylan-LeRette Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.



JEAN KILLION, 93

Jean Eloise Killion, 93, Urbandale, passed away Aug. 19, 2022, at Deerfield Retirement Community in Urbandale.

Jean was born July 1, 1929, in Kansas City, Mo. She was raised on a farm in Page County by her parents, Walter Theodore Northwall and Edna Peterson Northwall. Jean graduated from high school in Essex and received a bachelor's degree from Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls. Her marriage to Gerald Edwin Killion of Red Oak on Dec. 28, 1950, endured just shy of 73 years.

Like her mother, Jean pursued a career in education, teaching elementary school in Atlantic, Iowa City, and Ottumwa. After starting a family of four sons, she spent her time as a fulltime wife and mother. Jean was active in PEO, local Republican election campaigns, Lutheran Church committees, and enjoyed bridge club, gardening, and reading. Outside her family, arguably her greatest passion was football, cheering on the University of Iowa Hawkeyes at Kinnick Stadium and following the team to a Rose Bowl.

Jean was preceded in death by her parents; brother and sister-in-law, Dr. John and Ruth Northwall; and parents-in-law, Rufus and Opal Killion.

Jean is survived by husband Gerald of Urbandale; sons, Christopher and wife Deb of Coralville; John and wife Paula of Omaha, Neb.; Thomas and wife Dawn of Des Moines; and Jeffrey and wife Rachel of Attleboro, Mass.; grandsons, Benjamin and wife Jamie, Samuel and wife Dawn, David and wife Roz, Aaron, and Daniel; granddaughters Natalie and Claire; great-granddaughter Stella; and brother- and sister-in-law Dennis and MaryLee Killion of Red Oak.

A private memorial service will be held. The family suggests that contributions may be made to the Animal Rescue League of Iowa or the Deerfield Community Fund, via the Immanuel Community Foundation at 1044 N. 115th Street, Omaha, NE 68144.



JANET DEVER, 82

Janet Maxine (Means) Dever, 82, Sherman, Ill., passed away on Saturday, Sept. 3, 2022, at Country Lane Memory Care in Riverton, Ill.

Janet was born June 26, 1940, in Villisca, the daughter of Neil and Florence (Larson) Means. She graduated from Villisca Community High School in 1957 and went on to attend North West Missouri State. She attended Riverton United Methodist Church as well as Bissell Methodist Church. Janet worked for the Riverton Community High School as a secretary before retiring.

She enjoyed spending time with her family, especially her granddaughter, and loved traveling across the United States and Europe. Janet lived in 11 different places throughout America and loved experiencing the different cultures, especially in California, but her heart was always in Southwest Iowa.

She was preceded in death by her husbands; Bill Dever and Sam Carmichael; and one son, Shawn Carmichael.

Janet is survived by her brother; Robert (Kathleen) Means, of Grandlake, Colo.; sons Michael (Claire) Carmichael of Sherman, Ill.; Patrick (Nina) Carmichael of Cool, Calif.; and Kelly (Lisa) Carmichael of St. John, Ind.; granddaughter, Anne Carmichael, of St. John, Ind.; and brother in law, Dale (Nancy) Carmichael of Corning.

Graveside services will be held at Arlington Cemetery in Villisca at a later date.

Ellinger-Kunz & Park Funeral Home, 530 N. 5th St. in Springfield, Ill., is in charge of arrangements.



DEBORAH "DEB" BRUCE, 59

Deb Bruce, 59, Pleasant Hill, passed away Sept. 1, 2022, in Des Moines, after a brief illness. Deb was very good at being there to take care of others, but had a harder time letting others take care of her. For the last five weeks our family has been blessed to be on the giving side for her.

Deborah Ann Bruce was born Feb. 2, 1963, to Larry and Joan Bruce in Red Oak. Deb grew up in Red Oak and graduated in 1981 from Red Oak Community High School. Deb then attended Northwest Missouri State University receiving her Bachelor's Degree in Personnel Management. Deb worked for the Des Moines Fire Department for the last 17 years.

Deb was preceded in death by her father, Larry Bruce; brother-in-law, Jerry Charvat; and grandparents, Henry and Margaret Bruce and Michael and Mary Dehant.

Deb is survived by her mother, Joan Bruce of Red Oak; brother, Fred Bruce and wife Lori of Red Oak; and sisters: Diane Bruce of Bellevue, Neb.; and Cindy Akin and husband Ben of Spokane, Wash. Deb is also survived by her favorite people, her nieces and nephews, Sara and Luke Dailey (Max and Maeverly) of Council Bluffs; Beth and Caleb Rehbein (Jaycee, Easton and Maddox) of Red Oak; Charlie, and Sam and Riley Akin of Spokane, Wash. Deb is also survived by a wonderful group of friends, especially those from "Camp Joan" and her incredible co-worker family at the Des Moines Fire Department. You have truly blessed her and all of us.

Deb loved spending time with her family. She was the designated cookie maker for any gathering or event. She had perfected our grandma's sugar cookie recipe and had shared the techniques and love of baking with all of her nieces and nephews to be carried on for generations to come. She will be greatly missed, especially for her extremely witty sense of humor, ability to remember odd facts and trivia and always finding the best deal at a garage sale!

Deb was the oldest of four and was known to be the bossy one, but also as the glue to hold us together and be there for anyone - family, friend or stranger. Deb was passionate about a program at the Des Moines Fire Department that donates items to families and elderly people in need to get items like air conditioners, box fans and smoke detectors.

In honor of Deb, the family will be directing memorials to this program and continuing Deb's giving spirit. Please make contributions payable to the Des Moines Fire Department Credit Union noting in the memo portion Deb Bruce Memorial. Send contributions to Nelson-Boylan-LeRette Funeral Chapel, PO Box 447, Red Oak, IA 51566.

There will be a private family interment service at Evergreen Cemetery at a later date.

Nelson-Boylan-LeRette Funeral Chapel of Red Oak is in charge of arrangements.



REAR ADM. RAYMOND WINKEL, 93

Rear Adm. Raymond Norman Winkel, 93, Red Oak, formerly of Virginia Beach, Va., passed away Monday, Aug. 29, 2022, at the Glen Haven Village Cottages in Glenwood.

Raymond was born Dec. 8, 1928, in Muskegon, Mich., the son of Norman and Evelyn (Hylan) Winkel.

Preceding him in death were his parents; and wife, Ellen. Survivors include his children, Raymond Norman Winkel, Jr. of North Carolina; Ann Roth of Emerson; and Maryellen Moye of Florida; and two grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place and burial of ashes will be in the Arlington National Cemetery at a later date.

Nelson-Boylan-LeRette Funeral Chapel of Red Oak, is assisting the family with cremation services.

Law and Order



The following events were filed with the Red Oak, Montgomery County, State of Iowa, or other government offices. In regard to law enforcement and judicial activities, all parties are presumed innocent until proven guilty, and other details may be available at iowacourts.state.ia.us.

REAL ESTATE

WARRANTY DEED

- Darrell Carlson to Diana Hutchison, Red Oak Northeastern Addition Blk 6 Lt 7.
- Darrel and Mary Schipansky to United Farmers Cooperative, 29-71-36 Lt 1 Parcels A-C.
- Walker Apartments LLC and Steve Walker, Member Manager to Erik and MacKenzie Robinson, Red Oak Northeastern Addition Blk 79, Lts 1, 4.
- Carol Lewis to Dallas and Susan Clayton, Villisca Lightbody Addition Lts 36-39.
- Jeffrey R. Brown and Jeffrey J. Brown to William and Holly Sanderson, Villisca Original Plat Lts 474, 639-640.
- Ana Garrido, Manager, and BP Homes LLC to Acorn Development Company, Red Oak Northeastern Addition Lts 13-14, Lanes SD.
- Douglas Bloom, President, Randall Bloom, Secretary Treasurer, and B Bar B LTD to Tony Douglas and Jill Hanson, 15-71-36.

QUIT CLAIM DEED

- Shannon and Jason Taylor and Shannon Linger to Jason and Shannon Taylor, Red Oak Lanes Addition Lt 95.
- Stephen and Cynthia Hayes to Stephen Hays Trust, Cynthia Hayes Trust, Stephen Hayes, Trustee, and Cynthia Hayes, Trustee, 28-72-38 SLT 1-2 Lt 4.
- Stephen and Cynthia Hayes to Stephen Hays Trust, Cynthia Hayes Trust, Stephen Hayes, Trustee, and Cynthia Hayes, Trustee, Red Oak Original Plat Blk 54 Lts 10-12.
- Jared Rogers to Rochelle Cummins, Red Oak Central Addi-

- tion Blk 2 Lt 8.
- Jeffrey Button to Jeffrey Button Revocable Trust and Jeffrey Button, Trustee, Red Oak Prospect Addition Lts 2-3.
- Victoria Vaughn, Victoria D. Vaughn, and Victoria Morales to Michael Vaughn, Villisca Original Plat Lts 13-14.
- Ami Benson to Brandon Benson, Red Oak Northeastern Addition Blk 83 Lts 1-2.
- Catherine Vannausdle to Mike Smith, 1-73-38 Parcel A SLT 1 Lt 3.
- Jorene Williams to Stephen Williams, Grant Mercer Addition to Grant Blk 2 Lts 8, 11-12.
- Harold and Nyla Williams to Stephen Williams, Grant Mercer Addition to Grant Blk 2 Lts 8, 11-12.
- Sherilyn and Ralph Lindblad to Stephen Williams, Grant Mercer Addition to Grant Blk 2 Lts 8, 11-12.

COURT OFFICER'S DEED

- Lorraine Williams Estate, Lorraine Long Estate, Harold Williams, Executor, and Stephen Williams, Executor, to Stephen Williams, Grant Mercer Addition to Grant Blk 2 Lts 8, 11-12.
- Dwight Lewis Estate, Carol Eno, Executor, and Karen Fast, Executor to Dallas and Susan Clayton, Villisca Lightbody Addition Lts 36-39.

TRUSTEE'S DEED

- Jeffrey Martinez Joint Declaration of Trust, Ann Martinez Joint Declaration of Trust, Jeffrey Martinez, Co-Trustee, and Ann Martinez, Co-Trustee, to Jack O'Brien, 19-72-38 Lts 1-2 Parcel A.

MORTGAGE

- Douglas and Michelle Fiscus to Bank Iowa, Red Oak Original Plat Blk 34 Lts 8-9.
- Fred Muhr to Exchange State Bank, 20-73-36 Parcel A Lts 1-5.
- John and Jane Chaille to Centris Federal Credit Union, Red Oak Knollwood Addition SD 2 Lts 6-7.
- Dallas and Susan Clayton to Bank Iowa, Villisca Lightbody Addition Lts 36-39.
- Rebecca Westover to Marine Credit Union, Milford Plaqueet Addition to Milford Blk 2 Lts 6-8.
- Kathy Fish to City of Villisca, Villisca Stoddard Addition Lt 3.

- Kathy Marshall to City of Villisca, Villisca McNaughton Addition Lts 6-7.
- Martha Walter to City of Stanton, 4-71-37 Lt 3.
- Jack O'Brien to First Interstate Bank, 19-72-38 Parcel A Lts 1-2.
- Tony D. Douglas, Tony Douglas, Jill E. Hanson and Jill Hanson to Farm Credit Services of America FCLA, 15-71-36.
- Philip and Samantha Ranney to Coastal Community Bank, Red Oak Oak Addition Blk 2 Lt 8.

SMALL CLAIMS

- LVNV Funding LLC vs. Kirk Bullington, Red Oak, dismissed without prejudice.
- Montgomery County Sheriff vs. David Strough, Villisca, dismissed with prejudice.
- Discover Bank vs. Christopher Counts, Red Oak, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, \$5,843.57 with 5.26% interest from Aug. 30, plus costs.
- LVNV Funding LLC vs. Brad VanHouten, Red Oak, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, \$624.76 with 5.26% interest from Sept. 1, plus costs.
- Montgomery County Sheriff vs. Amanda Williams, Red Oak, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, \$1,101.37 with 5.26% interest from Sept. 1.
- Montgomery County Sheriff vs. Christopher Mattingly, Red Oak, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, \$4,059.98 with 5.26% interest from Sept. 1.
- Montgomery County Sheriff vs. Brook Moon, Red Oak, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, \$225 with 5.26% interest from Sept. 1.
- Montgomery County Sheriff vs. Sally Petersen, Red Oak, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, \$135 with 5.26% interest from Sept. 1.
- Montgomery County Sheriff vs. Sheryl Clark, Red Oak, judgment default in favor of the plaintiff, \$90 with 5.26% interest from Sept. 1.

- Filed Aug. 30, Raejean Steele, 30, Red Oak, violation of probation, \$5,000 bond.
- Filed Sept. 4, David Minard, 39, Red Oak, harassment third degree, \$300 bond.
- Filed Sept. 5, Robert Harvey, II, failure to appear for pretrial conference, \$5,000 bond.

ARRESTS

- State of Iowa vs. Steven Dukes, 31, Villisca, possession of a controlled substance - methamphetamine, first offense, dismissed.

DISMISSED

- Aggravated, State of Iowa vs. Steven Dukes, 31, Villisca, Possession of a controlled substance - methamphetamine, second offense, \$855 fine.

CRIMINAL

- Felony, State of Iowa vs. James Cruz, 29, Red Oak, contempt - resist order or process of district court, defendant reside at RCF, remain in jail until bed space available.
- Felony, State of Iowa vs. Bruce Fitzwater, 59, Villisca, controlled substance violation, four counts.
- Simple Misdemeanor, State of Iowa vs. Jacob Cashatt, 21, Red Oak, public intoxication, pled guilty, one day jail.

Guess Who?

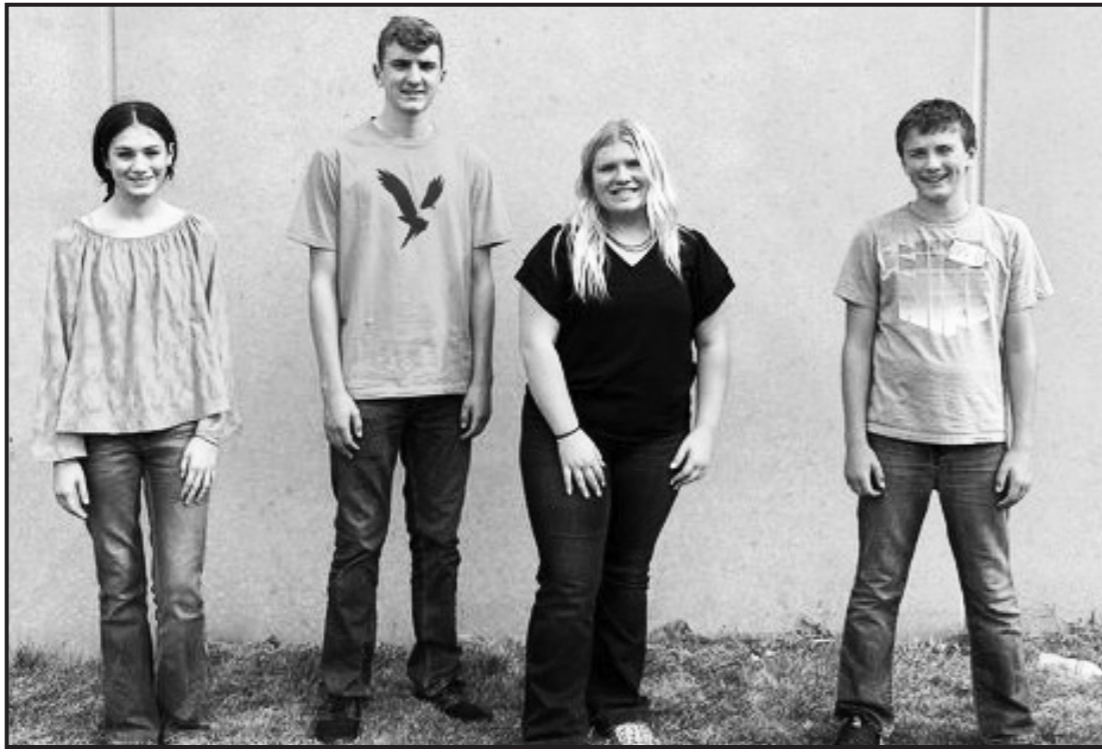
I am an actor born in Pennsylvania on September 5, 1951. I am the youngest of seven children. I worked as a cameraman for a local TV station. I've been in many popular movies, including dramatic and comedic roles. My real surname is Douglas.

Answer: Michael Keaton

ANSWER - PUZZLE ON PAGE 7B

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## RO FFA competes in livestock judging



On Saturday, Aug. 27, the Red Oak FFA livestock judging team competed at the state contest in Ames and received a silver rating. The team included, from left: Natalie Johnson, Tyler Beeson, Cloie Bruce, and AJ Beeson. (Photo submitted)

## Essex unveils family style dining



One of the changes that awaited Essex students this year was family style dining. Utilizing fresh ingredients from the districts garden daily, students are served family style around smaller tables, with cloth napkins. (Photo provided)

## VIEWPOINTS

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THE TIME CAPSULE | ROY MARSHALL

## Cosmorgasbord

August is in the books, yellow buses are running regular routes and summer is too-soon gone.

On the morning of Aug. 8 our back yard was the quietest it's been for months.

When 50 purple martins all pull out at the same time, their absence is glaring.

We wrapped up the month by picking some Pollys, an event that brings memories.

Each of my grandmothers had a Polly, a peach tree that was reportedly developed at Iowa State University in the 1920s and early '30s.

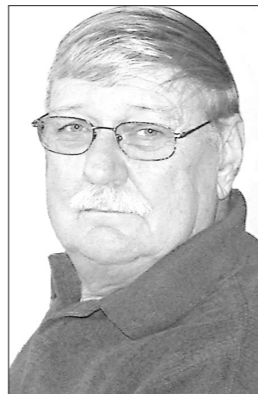
A white freestone that ripens to a pinkish-red exterior, the fruit is sweet and juicy as only a fully-mature, tree-ripened, back-yard peach can be.

The Polly reaches baseball size. Dad's side of the family favored peach ice cream, while mom's mom loved to bake and we remember her Pollys in pies and cobbler.

The trees aren't dwarf, but small enough that picking is practical, and they don't seem to mind winters of 20-below.

We thought they were great until, like a lot of consumers, commercial interests and produce aisles convinced us that peaches should be yellow.

And so wife and I squandered much of our gardening life trying to grow yellow peaches. I know people who can, but through the years we planted tree after tree; varieties that were pictured while loaded with yellow peaches, advertised in



seed catalogs as hardy to zone 4.

Some of them lived a few years. Now and then one would have a peach, or even a few peaches, but always the wind got them or a cold winter or they died for no apparent reason.

We've had yellow peach trees that lived 20 years without yielding a single edible fruit. Other growers do better, and hats off to them.

About 10 years ago we decided to go back to white, found a nursery that raised heirloom fruit trees, and bought our Polly.

It bore a year later and has increased in production each season since. I suspect both my grandmothers would smile, and they might even be okay with wife's fresh peach cheesecake.

At the August gathering of Stanton's pot luck group a suggestion was made to have a Swedish smorgasbord.

This would seem a natural for a group that meets monthly in Halland Village, which is on Halland Avenue, across from Valhalla Hills, next door to the Viking Center, Viking K-12, and just a stone's throw from the Swedish Heritage and Cultural

Center.

The Reverend Bent Halland, who founded this Swedish community and went to great lengths to encourage Swedes to settle here, is enshrined at the Cultural Center, as is Mrs. Olson, the Swedish Goddess of coffee: "ya, the richest kind."

Pot luckers debated the smorgasbord. Wife thought of peaches still on the tree and whispered that if the vote was in favor she'd bring cheesecake. I said cheesecake wasn't ostakaka and these people knew the difference.

She said if the cheesecake had Polly peach slices with a cinnamon-streusel topping they wouldn't complain.

Neither she nor I are at all Swedish, but I spent a good share of one winter in Norway, ate only in a Norwegian military facility or the home of welcoming Norwegians, and found Scandinavian food good, although not what I expected.

Wife developed a taste because when we moved to the Stanton area, my parents decided a young couple with children and a few acres of pasture should have a milk cow.

They presented us with a fine Guernsey heifer, delivered in a small U-Haul trailer pulled 340 miles behind dad's '67 Rambler station wagon.

Wife, who was concerned about being accepted in a new community, quickly learned that our cow was her Key to the Kingdom.

Nearby housewives of Swedish descent badly

wanted fresh, non-homogenized whole milk for their ostakaka.

My dearly beloved learned to use a milk stool and manage the faucets. She milked and made friends; a kingpin in a sea of ostakaka addicts. Along with empty milk jars they brought rye bread, Swedish meatballs, potato sausage, brown beans with home-cured ham and from them she learned to make kringles and authentic cream cheese.

All was good, and with cream cheese she made cheesecake, which was better.

The pot-luck club decided to table the smorgasbord suggestion for more discussion at a later date.

The peaches won't last, so if the decision is eventually in favor we'll take our second choice; a Swedish dish called "kalpudding," which we haven't tried. "Kal," with a dot over the "a," translates to cabbage.

Cabbage pudding is no doubt tastier than it sounds—probably every bit as good as peach-infused cheesecake lightly drizzled with caramel sauce over a cinnamon-streusel topping. I'll let you know.

Roy Marshall is a local historian and columnist for the Red Oak Express. He can be contacted at news@redoakexpress.com.

## Letters to the Editor

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LETTER TO | THE EDITOR

## Nelson urges voters to choose candidates protecting public schools

To the Editor:

School has started. As children begin to learn new things under the guidance of loving, qualified teachers, please know that continuation of our Iowa public education system is on the ballot this November.

Governor Reynolds has already promised to bring back the voucher bill. This bill would take money from public schools and give it to private schools.

For the last two sessions it was passed in the senate but defeated in the house. During this year's primaries Reynolds campaigned against Republican legislators who had voted against her voucher bill last session. Four of these candidates were defeated in the primary.

Why are vouchers, which are called scholar-

ships in the proposed legislation so bad? They take your tax money away from public schools and give it to private schools. Public money is for public schools.

A great deal of public money is already given to private schools. One way is through tax credits for individuals donating money to School Tuition Organizations (STOs) which give tuition grants to students enrolled in private schools. The donor gets a tax credit of 75% of their donation. This total amount of authorized tax credit Iowa allows beginning in 2022 is \$20,000,000. This deduction in taxes is money that could go to public schools.

For those who say they want school choice, they already have it. They can pay to send their child to a private school with their own money with the help of a grant from an STO, or they can

open-enroll their student to any public school in the state.

November's election is critical if you support Iowa's public schools. Kim Reynold supports defunding Iowa's public education system through vouchers, tax credits, and decreasing the amount of per pupil funding.

Iowa is 40th in the nation for per pupil funding. Her opponent Deidre DeJear wants to put Iowa schools back on top and supports keeping public money for public schools (dejeafor iowa.com).

Due to redistricting we in Montgomery County are now in Senate District 9. Two candidates are vying for this seat. The incumbent, Tom Shipley, of Nodaway and his challenger, Tripp Narup, of Villisca.

Legislative records show that during the last

session Senator Shipley supported the voucher/scholarship bill by first voting to advance the bill out of committee, and then voting to pass that bill on the senate floor.

The bill was ultimately rejected by the house. Tripp Narup stated in his candidacy announcement appearing in the Red Oak Express on Aug. 17, that "Recent attempts to use public money to fund private schools are just plain wrong and amount to stealing from public education."

Please put policy over party. Vote in November for candidates who will stop the flow of public money to private schools.

Barb Nelson  
Stanton

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## Community Calendar

**8 September**  
Noon, SCORE webinar, "HUBZone Certification Process and Program Updates." Go to omaha.score.org/content/take-workshop-242 for more information.  
12:30 p.m., Bingo, Red Oak Senior Center, 2700 N. 4th St. Call 712-623-3497 or Carolyn at 402-926-8683 for more information.  
4 p.m., Community Prayer Time, Fountain Square Park. Call Bonnie at 623-4759.  
4-7 p.m., Red Oak Farmers Market, Fountain Square Park, Dinner in the Park - Teeny Weeny Wiener Wagon, Music in the Park with DJ Dave Doty.  
7 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1101 Summit St.

**9 September**  
2 p.m. to midnight., Bella Notte pampered artist retreat, 504 E. Reed St., \$40.  
5 to 7 p.m., September Social at the Palmquist Farm, tipis available for viewing, 2743 M Ave., Stanton.  
5:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1101 Summit St.  
7 p.m., "Paws of Fury," theatre #1; "Grease," theatre #2; Red Oak Grand Theatre.

**10 September**  
9 a.m. to midnight., Bella Notte pampered artist retreat, 504 E. Reed St., \$40.  
9 to 10 a.m., Coffee with the Council, Rainbow Cafe, 105 W. Market St.  
9 a.m. to noon, Red Oak Farmers Market, Fountain Square Park, Family Connections information table with Chelsey Hirt.  
1 to 2:30 p.m., Volunteer Recruitment Day at the Wilson Performing Arts Center, 300 Commerce Dr.  
7 p.m., "Paws of Fury," theatre #1; "Grease," theatre #2; Red Oak Grand Theatre.

**11 September**  
8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., 9/11 Remembrance breakfast hosted by the Coming American Legion,

601 6th St., Corning.  
2 and 7 p.m., "Paws of Fury," theatre #1; "Grease," theatre #2; Red Oak Grand Theatre.  
5:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1101 Summit St.  
6 to 8:30 p.m., Evening kayak cruise, Lake Anita State Park, 55111 750th St, Anita.

**12 September**  
Noon, Rural Commerce Committee meeting, Stadium 34, 1200 Senate Ave.  
12:30 p.m. Bingo, Red Oak Senior Center, 2700 N. 4th St. Call 712-623-3497 or Carolyn 402-926-8683 for more information.  
5:30 p.m., School Board meeting, Red Ok Jr./Sr. High School, or via Zoom.  
5:30-8:30 p.m., Grant Writing 101 workshop, Montgomery County Extension office, 400 Bridge St. Suite #2.  
7 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1101 Summit St.

**13 September**  
8:30 a.m., Montgomery County Supervisors, North Meeting Room in courthouse basement, open to public.  
Noon, Rotary Club meeting. For location, go to <https://rotarydistrict5650.org/clubinfo/red-oak>.  
1 p.m., Card games (pitch and/or cribbage) Red Oak Senior Center, 2700 N. 4th St. Call 712-623-3497 or Carolyn 402-926-8683 for more information.  
6 to 8 p.m., Writing Your Retirement Paycheck workshop, the Classic Cafe, 315 Main St., Malvern.

**14 September**  
1:30-5 p.m., Christ's Cupboard Food Pantry and Clothing Cupboard, 206 E. Coolbaugh St. Donations accepted 1-5 p.m. at back door.  
5:30 p.m., Planning and Zoning meeting, Montgomery County Secondary Roads, 406 W. 4th St.  
5:30 p.m., Marketing and Tourism Committee meeting, Red Oak Chamber office, 307 E. Reed St.



**Fun for all at the farmers market**

The Red Oak Farmers Market continues to have something for everyone as they get ready for fall. The market is open from 4-7 p.m. every Thursday, and from 9 a.m. to noon every Saturday. Special Kidz Korner entertainment is also provided for kids attending the market. Pictured left are market regulars Matt St. Lezin, left, and wife Adriana, who will soon be opening the Neighborhood Bakehouse at 308 Coolbaugh St. (Photo submitted)

### Grant writing 101 workshop upcoming

Representatives of nonprofits, local government, schools and other organizations are encouraged to register for Grant Writing 101, which will be presented at ISU Extension - Montgomery County, 400 Bridge St. St. #2 in Red Oak Sept. 12, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Grant Writing 101 will provide hands-on training in seeking and writing successful grant applications. The program is being sponsored by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach - Montgomery County.

The fee for the workshop (which includes a light meal at the start) is \$10, with registration required by Sept. 9 at <https://go.iastate.edu/POCCCM>

Grant Writing 101 will be presented by Jane Nolan Goeken, Community and Economic Development Specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach. She has extensive experience writing and reviewing grant applications and working with various federal, state, local and private foundation grant programs.

Goeken will assist workshop participants in exploring various public and private funding sources, and provide instruction and tips on planning projects and writing successful grant applications.

For more information about the workshop, contact Jane Goeken at [jngoeken@iastate.edu](mailto:jngoeken@iastate.edu) or 712-240-2504.



### Storytime at Red Oak Library

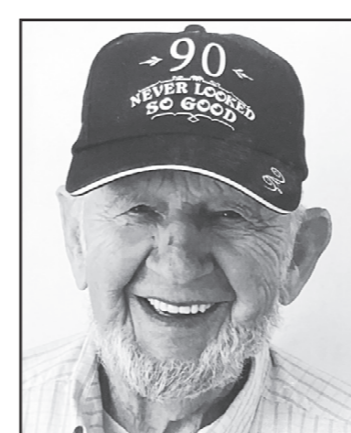
The Red Oak Public Library has announced that storytime is returning to the library this month. The event is held every Friday at 10:15 a.m. in the children's department of the library, 400 N. 2nd St. Snacks are provided, and there is no cost to participate. The themes for September are:

- Sept. 9: Bear.
- Sept. 16: Robot.
- Sept. 23: Tractor.
- Sept. 30: Lego.

### Card Shower

ANDERSON 90TH BIRTHDAY

Jim Anderson will celebrate his 90th birthday on Sept. 16. In honor of this occasion, his family is hosting a card shower. Cards may be sent to Jim at 2240 K Ave., Red Oak, IA 51566.



### Happy Birthday!

Celebrating birthdays are:

- Jim Wells - Sept. 8
- Oggie Belt - Sept. 8
- Don Allen - Sept. 8
- Becky Zenor - Sept. 9
- Jen Davis - Sept. 10
- Michael Smith - Sept. 11
- Axel King - Sept. 11
- Patty Lair - Sept. 11
- Dennis Zenor - Sept. 11
- Earl Johnson - Sept. 12
- Matt Peterson - Sept. 12
- Marilyn Neligh - Sept. 12
- Gladys McClain - Sept. 13
- Delores Docker - Sept. 13
- Jeanie Kirshen - Sept. 13
- Erin DeKay - Sept. 13
- Hilary O'Flynn - Sept. 13
- Sharon Solberg - Sept. 14
- Wendy Halbert - Sept. 14
- Mykel Thoren - Sept. 14

To be included on the free "Happy Birthday" list, e-mail your birthday (and those of your friends and family) to [news@redoakexpress.com](mailto:news@redoakexpress.com), mail to P.O. Box 377, Red Oak, IA 51566, or drop by our office at 2012 Commerce Dr.

## Happy Anniversary!

Celebrating their anniversaries this week are:

Darwin and Lori Johnson - Sept. 11  
Monte and Joyce Isaacson - Sept. 14

Congratulations and happy anniversary to you!

To become a member of the free "Anniversary Club," e-mail your anniversary (and those of your friends and family) to [news@redoakexpress.com](mailto:news@redoakexpress.com), mail to P.O. Box 377, Red Oak, IA 51566, or drop by our office at 2012 Commerce Dr.

### Senior Menu

Thursday, Sept. 8: BBQ rib patty on a bun, hamburger dills, sweet potato puffs, baked beans, cookie, milk/coffee.	Monday, Sept. 12: Sloppy joe sandwich on a bun, hamburger dills, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, pudding, milk/coffee.	Friday, Sept. 9: Salisbury steak with gravy, parslid potatoes, green beans, bread slice, fresh seasonal fruit, milk/coffee.	Tuesday, Sept. 13: Ham with beans, cooked carrots, green beans, cornbread, sliced peaches, milk/coffee.	Senior Center at 623-3497 or Carolyn at 402-926-8683.
Friday, Sept. 9: Salisbury steak with gravy, parslid potatoes, green beans, bread slice, fresh seasonal fruit, milk/coffee.	Tuesday, Sept. 13: Ham with beans, cooked carrots, green beans, cornbread, sliced peaches, milk/coffee.	Senior Center at 623-3497 or Carolyn at 402-926-8683.	Wednesday, Sept. 14: Chicken salad sandwich, pasta salad, cucumber tomato salad, bread slice, cookie, milk/coffee.	Please call for reservations by 9:30 a.m. the day before you plan to eat lunch.

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

<b>Advent Christian</b> 300 S. 2nd Ave., Villisca, Rev. Jeff Eason, Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m., Celebrate Recovery, Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.	<b>Assembly Of God</b> 1005 Senate, Red Oak, 623-2174, Services, 10:30 a.m.	<b>Baptist</b> The Bridge (First Baptist Church), 406 N. 3rd St., Red Oak, Rev. Len Taylor, Worship, 11 a.m. Grace Baptist, 1510 N. 6th St., Red Oak, Gary D. Walters, Bible class, 10 a.m., Worship, 11 a.m., Worship, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, Prayer, 7 p.m. Grace Baptist, 525 Main St., Griswold, Victor Maxson, Bible study, 10 a.m., Worship, 11 a.m. Online: 11 a.m. livestream.	<b>Southern Baptist</b> Crossroads Community Church, 303 E. Oak St., use the alley entrance, Rev. Ricky Rohrig, Sr., Celebration Services with Kids' Church, 9:23 a.m., Wednesdays in the Word, live on Facebook, 6:30 p.m. 712-357-1060, <a href="http://crossroadsredoak.com">crossroadsredoak.com</a> . Online: 9:45 a.m. approx. live on Facebook.	<b>Catholic</b> St. Joseph's, 131 W. High, Villisca, Father Eze Venantius Umunnakwe, Sunday Mass, 8:30 a.m. St. Mary's, 1510 Highland Ave., Red Oak, Father Lazarus Kirigia, Saturdays, 5 p.m. (1st, 3rd, 5th Saturday); Sunday, 10:30 a.m., in Spanish, 1 p.m.	<b>Christian</b> First Christian, 1909 Summit St., Red Oak, Pastor AJ Baratta, PreKindergarten - Sunday School, 9:30-10:15 a.m., Fellowship, 10 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m. Online: 10:30 a.m. live on Facebook.	<b>Christian &amp; Missionary Alliance</b> Citylight Southwest Iowa, 705 Bradford, Emerson. Co-lead pastors Matt Keller, Tyler Mass. Worship with children's church, 10 a.m. in-person gathering. Online: 10 a.m. live on Facebook. Faith Community, 2701 N. 8th St., Red Oak, Rev. David MacDonald, Worship, 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Sunday School for kindergarten-adults, 10:45 a.m. Wednesday activities: JUMP, Pre-K grade 4, 4-5:20 p.m. or 6-7:20 p.m. SHOUT, grades 5-6, 4-5:30 p.m. EXIT, grades 7-12, 7-8:30 p.m. Online: 9 a.m. on KCSI, 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Facebook, also Youtube/Red Oak Faith Community Church.	<b>Church Of Christ</b> Church Of Christ, Elliott, Sunday Bible School, 9 a.m., Worship, 10 a.m., Men's and Women's Bible study and breakfast, first Sunday of the month at 7:30 a.m. River of Life Church, Hwy. 48 North, Red Oak, Minister David Haynes, Sunday School 9 a.m., Worship, 10 a.m.	<b>Church Of The Nazarene</b> Red Oak, 401 E. Prospect St., Rev. Lori Lathrop. Radio ministry, 8:30 a.m., worship with children's church at 10:30 a.m.	<b>Covenant</b> Evangelical, Rev. Matt King, 308 Eastern, Stanton, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:45 a.m. Online: 10:45 a.m. live on Facebook and later on Youtube. Faith Covenant Church, 212 Alice St., Essex, Pastor Gordon Scott, Pastor Staci Shearer, Worship, 8:30 a.m. First Covenant, Rev. Alan Dean, pastor, 3rd & Hammond, Red Oak, Worship, 9:30 a.m.	<b>Jehovah's Witness</b> 210 Argus Road, Shenandoah, Thursday, 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m., public Bible discourse.	<b>Lutheran</b> Bethesda Lutheran, Rural Clarinda. Worship 9:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Bethlehem Lutheran, 1101 Summit St., Red Oak, Rev. Jennifer Yeske-Drown, Sunday worship, 11 a.m., evening service 4 p.m. Strand Evangelical, Rural Villisca, Rev. Marietta Nelson-Bittle, Worship, 9:45 a.m. Fremont Lutheran (Nyman), 1147 Ironwood Ave, Red Oak, Pastor Ann Albert, Worship, 9:30 a.m., Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Mamrelund Lutheran, 410 Eastern Ave., Stanton. Worship, 9:30 a.m. with no Sunday School. Online: 9:30 a.m. FMTC Cable Channel 1, also live on Facebook. Mt. Calvary, 107 S. 5th, Villisca, Jerome Wagoner, Worship, 9:00 a.m. Tabor Lutheran, 1711 Q Ave., Stanton, Worship, 8:15 a.m., Sunday School, 9:15 a.m. Peace Lutheran, (A WELS Congregation), 411 Church St., Shenandoah, Saturday Worship, 5:30 p.m.; Bible and Sunday School, 6:30 p.m.	<b>Non-Denominational</b> Oaks Community Church, 41310 Ellington Rd., Emerson, Rev. Ron Perry, 712-824-7218, Sunday School, 10 a.m., Worship, 11 a.m.	<b>Presbyterian</b> Center Ridge, 1546 N. 110th St., Red Oak, Caryn Pedersen, Worship 1 p.m., two times a month. Call 623-9023 for more information. First Presbyterian, 109 S. 3rd Ave., Villisca, Rev. Sandra Wainwright, Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m. Red Oak Presbyterian, 511 E. Coolbaugh, PO Box 402, Red Oak, Caryn Pedersen, <a href="http://redoakpresbyterianchurch.com">redoakpresbyterianchurch.com</a> . Service, 10:30 a.m. Online: 10:30 a.m. live on Facebook/Red Oak Presbyterian Church	<b>Reformed Evangelical</b> Heartland Sovereign Grace Church, new church plant. Bible study Sunday, 5 p.m., <a href="http://www.swiacrec.com">www.swiacrec.com</a> , contact@swiacrec.com.	<b>United Methodist</b> First United Methodist, 600 E. Hammond, Red Oak, Rev. Dr. Eric Sayonkon, Worship, Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Youth group Wednesday 6:30-8 p.m., grades 6-12, snack is served. Online: 10:30 a.m. <a href="http://fumcro.org">fumcro.org</a> ; click on the media tab to see previously recorded services. Wesley Chapel UMC, Rev. Carl Phillips, Worship, 8:45 a.m., Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Red Oak Circuit, Linda Westerhold, Hawthorne, 1248 210th St., Red Oak, Worship, 10 a.m.; Stratton, 1695 150th St., Red Oak, Worship, 11:15 a.m. Online: 11:15 a.m. live on Facebook. Elliott United Methodist, Rev. Terry McClain, Sunday School, 9 a.m., Worship, 10 a.m. Online: 10 a.m. live on Facebook. Emerson United Methodist Church, Rev. Denise Stevens, 801 Bradford Ave., Emerson, (712) 824-7368, Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m. Grant United Methodist, Rev. Jenn Van Nostrand, Worship services, 9 a.m. Online: 9 a.m. live on Facebook United Methodist, 203 S. 3rd Ave., Villisca, Pastor Jennifer Van Nostrand, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m. Online: 10:30 a.m. live on Facebook. Strahan United Methodist, Hastings, Rev. David Kwangki Kim, Worship, 9:30 a.m., Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.	<b>United Church Of Christ</b> First Congregational, 608 Reed St., Red Oak, Sunday Worship, 11:30 a.m. in the sanctuary with fellowship prior to the service at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Holly Scherff, interim pastor.
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## Kid Scoop®

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**Kid Scoop Together:**

### Litter Hunt

With an adult, walk around your school and pick up at least five pieces of litter. Write the name of each below:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT!**  
If a piece of litter at your school looks like dangerous trash (broken glass, a needle, bandage, etc.) **DON'T** pick it up, but **DO** tell an adult on campus about it.

# LET'S STOP LITTERING!



Hi, Kids!

You know me - I'm your friend, Earth. And there's something that really makes me sick. It's called **LITTER!**

Litter is stuff that should have been thrown into a garbage can or recycle bin, but is just dropped on the ground instead.

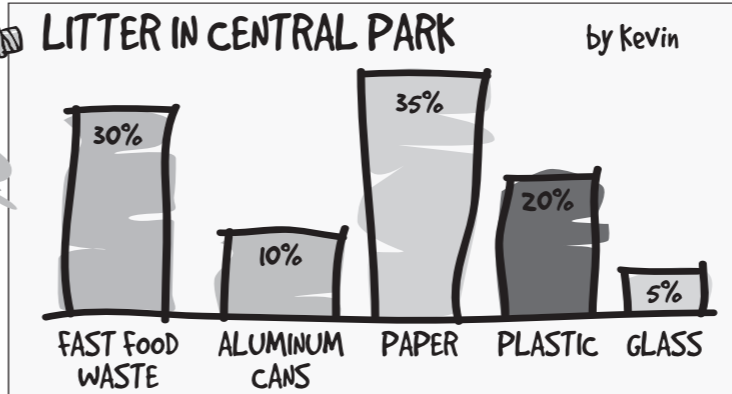
Litter causes all kinds of problems. It can clog up storm drains and cause flooding or pollute the waterways that are fed by storm drains. Some litter is dangerous, like broken glass and cans with jagged edges. And litter is ugly. When it's around your school or community, it looks like people just don't care about where they live.

Your friend, **Earth**

### Litter Statistics

Kevin's class picked up litter at the park. He made a chart showing the percentages of the kinds of litter they found. Use the chart to answer these questions:

1. What was the most common litter item found?  
 fast food waste    plastic    paper
2. Was there more glass or plastic in the litter?  
 glass    plastic
3. What percentage of litter was plastic and paper combined?  
 55%    45%    40%



### Lunchtime Litter

Look for litter in this picture. Can you find all of these items?

- plastic bottle
- plastic cap
- paper cup
- straw
- plastic fork
- paper
- chip bag
- cheese puffs
- soda can
- apple core

### LITTER FACT

Only **ONE** out of every **SIX** plastic water bottles we use ever makes it to the recycle bin.

### Sort the Litter

Some litter can be recycled. Draw a line from each piece of litter to the correct bin.

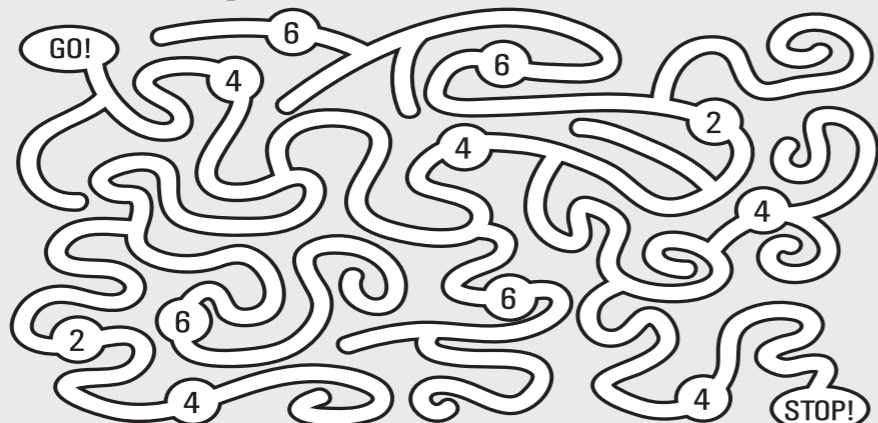


**Extra! Extra!**  
**Be Complete**  
Search the newspaper for five headlines that are **NOT** complete sentences. Rewrite each as a complete sentence. Which words are most often left out?  
Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

#### Don't Be a Litterbug

What is the average number of steps a person will hold onto a piece of trash before they litter? Add up the numbers along the correct path in this maze to discover the answer.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

### Double Double Word Search

COMMUNITY  
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PROBLEMS  
GARBAGE  
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POLLUTE  
AVERAGE  
LITTER  
EATING  
DRAINS  
BROKEN  
STORM  
AREA  
UGLY  
SICK

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

E	R	N	E	K	O	R	B	P	S
G	A	R	B	A	G	E	R	O	U
A	D	A	E	R	A	O	E	L	O
R	M	R	Y	T	B	A	C	L	R
E	R	E	A	L	T	C	Y	U	E
V	O	Y	E	I	G	I	C	T	G
A	T	M	N	C	N	U	L	E	N
L	S	G	K	C	I	S	E	E	A
Y	T	I	N	U	M	M	O	C	D

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

### Kid Scoop-doku™

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word **WASTE** in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

W	A	S	T	E
	W			T
		W		
S			W	A
A	S	T	E	W

### Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **POLLUTE**

The verb **pollute** means to contaminate or harm a place by adding waste items.

The oil spill **polluted** the river.

Try to use the word **pollute** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family.

### FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

#### Newspaper Graph

Survey your classmates to find out each person's favorite section of the newspaper. Graph your results.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information. Display data in a graph.

**What did the dirt say to the raindrops?**

ANSWER: "If this keeps up, my name will be mud!"

### Write On!

#### Good Turn

Write about a good turn you did and how it helped someone or something.

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# Robinson, Schmid receive certified supervisors certification

**Nick Johansen**  
The Red Oak Express

Montgomery County supervisors Donna Robinson and Charla Schmid have become certified Iowa county supervisors. The Iowa State Association of County Supervisors honored its first class of certified supervisors during a ceremony in Des Moines on Aug. 25 that was held in conjunction with the Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC) Annual Conference.

Robinson is serving in her fourth term as the supervisor for District 5 and also serves on the Southwest Iowa Planning Council, RPA-13, Nishna Productions, Montgomery County Landfill Association and Public Health. She is also active in the Villisca Alumni and Friends Association and the Villisca United Methodist Church.

She lives in Villisca with her husband Jim. They have three daughters, two sons, and 13 grandchildren.

Schmid is serving her second year as county supervisor, filling the vacancy of District 1. She will be on the Nov. 8 ballot asking voters to allow her the honor of representing them for a full term. The Certified Iowa County Supervisor program was created and is administered by county supervisors for county supervisors to create a culture of Iowa county supervisor leadership development through a well-rounded continuing education program with the overall goal of bettering county government in Iowa through education. Certification requires a two-year commitment and a total of 30 total



Montgomery County Supervisors Donna Robinson, left, and Charla Schmid were honored for becoming Certified Iowa County Supervisors during a ceremony in Des Moines on Aug. 25 that was held in conjunction with the Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC) Annual Conference. (Photos provided)

credit hours.

"I am extremely proud of the commitment that was made by the graduates of this program. They have put in a lot of time, energy, and effort on behalf of their constituents to become better public servants through education," said Tim Neil, ISACS President, Bremer County

Supervisor, and certified Iowa county supervisor. "Certified Iowa county supervisors are educated leaders!"

"It's an honor to serve the people of Montgomery County. Being a member of the first graduating class has been educational and rewarding. Meeting supervisors from around the state and the nation has been a great learning experience," stated Robinson.

County supervisors in Iowa are elected to a four-year term by a vote of the public and serve as a member of a three or five-person board of supervisors. The board of supervisors is the governing body of county government.

A county supervisor's duty is to "protect and preserve the rights, privileges, and property of the county or of its residents, and to preserve and improve the peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of its residents."

Other area supervisors part of the graduating class were Richard Crouch and Carol Vinton of Mills County, and Chuck Morris of Page County.

More information about the program and a full listing of graduates can be found at [iowacounties.org/programs/certified-iowa-county-supervisor/](http://iowacounties.org/programs/certified-iowa-county-supervisor/).

## 'Jeff Hanson ... Changing the World Through Art' opens at Lied Art Gallery

"Jeff Hanson ... Changing the World Through Art" will be exhibited until Oct. 7 at the Lied Art Gallery on the Creighton University Campus.

Jeffrey Hanson was the son of Julie (Swanson) Hanson (ROHS Class of 1982) and Dr. Hal Hanson, who practiced in Red Oak from 1982-87. Jeffrey was the grandson of Darold Swanson.

Jeffrey (1993-2020) was a self-taught, visually impaired, philanthropic "visual" artist who made national headlines for generating \$1M for charity by age

20. He was born with the genetic disorder Neurofibromatosis (NF1) and was first treated for a brain tumor at age 12 that severely damaged his vision.

Jeff became quite successful as a young artist, and began donating paintings to live charity auctions across the country. Those gifts had generated over \$7 million for charity at the time of Hanson's passing at age 27 from another brain tumor associated with NF1. The Jeff Hanson Art studio and Jeffrey's parents, Hal and Julie Hanson,

continue to create original artwork in Jeffrey's signature style in hopes of fulfilling their son's goal of generating \$10 million for charity.

During the exhibition, the Hansons will visit the department and engage in a two-day collaborative art-making experience with Creighton University medical students and undergraduate art students, creating art inspired by Jeff's vibrant colors and deep textures. Throughout the workshops, students will learn what life was like for the Hansons living with NF, while

also learning the history of Jeff's Julie and Hal will attend the Artist's Closing Reception on Friday, Oct. 7, from 4 to 6 p.m. to greet visitors and answer questions.

"I am **Humanist**, which means, in part, that I have tried to **behave decently without** expectations of **rewards or punishment** after I am dead."  
-- Kurt Vonnegut

**is this YOU?**

If so, you're invited to be part of a new **Humanist** discussion group in the Red Oak area.  
Contact **\_Ed Kelly\_** at 712-623-6862...

## Mary Ann Stuart honored as Labor Day Grand Marshal

Mary Ann Stuart was honored as the 2022 Essex Community Club Labor Day Grand Marshal. She is the wife of the 2010 Grand Marshal, Allen Stuart.

Mary Ann grew up in Clinton, Tenn., and moved to Essex in August of 1980. The Stuarts raised their three children, Jeff, Beth, and Suzanne in Essex.

Mary Ann taught in the Farragut and Hamburg Community School Districts for numerous years. She has been a dedicated member of the Faith Covenant Church in Essex, and is an exceptionally important part of the community for her work with the Essex Education Foundation and the Essex Community Club.

Even though she didn't grow up in Essex, Mary Anne's love and dedication for the Essex Community and the Essex School District is as though she's lived there her whole life.



Mary Anne Stuart was named the 2022 Essex Grand Marshal. She is pictured above during the parade on Monday, Sept. 5. (Tess Nelson/Red Oak Express)

## Fitzgerald to launch statewide hunt for unclaimed money

State Treasurer Michael Fitzgerald is preparing to launch the upcoming fall Great Iowa Treasure Hunt list, which will include newly added names of past and present Iowans with unclaimed funds in the Great Iowa Treasure Hunt.

"Many people are surprised to find their name, or the name of someone they know, on the list," said Fitzgerald. "But having unclaimed funds, such as from a forgotten investment account or final paycheck, is actually more common than you might think."

Since Fitzgerald created it in 1983, the Great Iowa Treasure Hunt has returned more than \$325 million to more than 614,000 individuals.

When assets held by financial institutions go a specific period of time with no activity or contact

from the owner, State law requires the institutions to turn the assets over to the Treasurer's Office for safekeeping. It is then the Treasurer's responsibility to locate and reunite the funds with the owner or heir, which is done through the Great Iowa Treasure Hunt.

"Unclaimed property comes in many types and sizes, but the most common are savings and checking accounts, stocks, uncashed checks, life insurance policies, security deposits and safe deposit box contents," continued Fitzgerald. "You never know what treasure you'll find at [GreatIowaTreasureHunt.gov](http://GreatIowaTreasureHunt.gov)!"

Begin your search and make a claim anytime, anywhere at [GreatIowaTreasureHunt.gov](http://GreatIowaTreasureHunt.gov). It's free, secure and easy to use.

## Wildland fire assistance grants available

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Forestry - Fire Program, working in coordination with the US Forest Service, has grant money available for Iowa's rural fire departments to help battle wildfires.

Applications are due on Oct. 15. The grant provides 50 percent reimbursement for wildland fire equipment with a maximum reimbursement grant of \$4,500 per department.

The grants offer funding assistance for wildfire suppression equipment, slide-in units, hoses, nozzles, adapters, portable tanks and pumps, personal protective equipment and communications equipment. Additionally, if a fire department has a special need that can be tied directly to

wildfire suppression, this grant allows for such special requests.

Gail Katak, state wildland fire supervisor for the Iowa DNR, said fire departments should send her a Wildland Fire Report whenever they respond to a wildland fire or provide assistance to a prescribed or controlled wildland fire.

Departments actively returning these reports receive priority points in the Volunteer Fire Assistance grant application scoring process.

All Iowa volunteer fire departments were mailed information about the 2022 Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant. The grant application package and the Wildland Fire Report form are available online at [iowadnr.gov/fire](http://iowadnr.gov/fire).



## Swinford sweeps poultry show at ISF

Exhibitors from across the Midwest brought their finest birds to the Poultry Show judged Sunday Aug. 14, at the 2022 Iowa State Fair.

First place, Ameraucana White Pullet, Hannah Swinford, Red Oak; first place, Ameraucana AOV Pullet, Hannah Swinford, Red Oak; Champion Hannah Swinford, Red Oak; and Champion & Reserve Large Fowl, Hannah Swinford, Red Oak.

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# Taylor, Jones honored at Iowa State Fair for Century/Heritage Farm

Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Mike Naig, Iowa Farm Bureau Federation President Brent Johnson and Vice President Joe Heinrich honored 351 Iowa farm families with Century or Heritage Farm designations at the Iowa State Fair. The program celebrates farms that have been owned by the same families for 100 and 150 years, respectively.

In Montgomery County, Robert and Mary Jones of Red Oak received a Century Farm designation for their farm, started in 1909. Rick Taylor, also of Red Oak, was the recipient of a Heritage Farm designation for his farm, started in 1870. In Mills County, Margaret Niemoller of Mineola was a Century Farm designation recipient for her farm, started in 1922.

Rick Taylor's Heritage Farm was started by his great-grandfather, Millard Taylor, and Millard's bother, Solomon Taylor. The brothers emigrated from Yarmouth, Mass. in 1869, purchasing 310 acres in Section 31 of Sherman Township, approximately five miles north of Red Oak, for \$20 per acre.

The title to the south half of the farm went to Solomon, and

Millard took the title to the north half. After passing through generations of Taylor's family, Rick is now the owner of the more than 150-year-old farm.

Rick said he has a deep appreciation for the farm's lengthy history in Montgomery County.

"When I reflect on all the hard work and sacrifices my ancestors made, I am very humbled. The farm has come a long way from when two brothers traveled far away from their Cape Cod home and family to start a new life in Iowa," said Rick. "They started life on the prairie with a small log and sod home with a hand dug well until building a more modern home that raised additional generations of Taylor families. They endured hard times with crop failures and low commodity prices but were able to persevere all so that the farm continues in operation as the Taylor farm today."

Rick added that it's a very special feeling to obtain the designation as a Heritage Farm.

"I am very honored and proud to have received the Heritage Farm designation. My father's fervent wish was that the farm would stay

in the Taylor family for more generations," commented Rick.

"I always look forward to honoring our Century and Heritage Farm families and hearing stories about their incredible journeys," said Secretary Naig. "This event is about recognizing the legacy and resiliency of the family farms that make up the fabric of our agricultural communities."

"Agriculture and Iowa's farm families are the backbone of the state and an essential part of our rural communities and economy," said Brent Johnson, Iowa Farm Bureau President. "We are honored to co-sponsor the Century and Heritage Farm programs celebrating multi-generational farm families that have persevered over 100 or 150 years and kept their farms in the family."

The Century Farm program began in 1976 as part of the Nation's Bicentennial Celebration. This year, 232 Century Farms and 119 Heritage Farms were recognized. Photos of the recipients will be available at flickr.com/photos/iowaagriculture/albums.

To date, 20,773 Century Farms and 1,685 Heritage Farms have been recognized across the state of Iowa.

## DEVRIES

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One of the things that sets showing pigs apart from other species is the lack of the halter. Therefore, she said it takes a couple months to fully train them.

"I start with getting them comfortable with their surroundings. This alone takes a couple weeks. Then I can start walking them outside and getting them trained for shows," she said.

While she wasn't too surprised to have done so well at the All Iowa Showdown, she was a little surprised her gilt performed as well as it did at the state level.

"It is very difficult to hold a pig together for that long, so it was a very good accomplishment for me," she said. "The state fair show is extremely competitive, with thousands of exhibitors. I am very lucky to have been able to exhibit the Reserve Division 3 Commercial Gilt and Champion Hampshire Market Hog. My Hampshire was also third overall VIP market hog, which was another big accomplishment of mine. A couple years ago, Chuck Wilson started helping us build on our sow herd with Hampshires. Ever since then, we have been very successful with them"



Kennedy DeVries of Red Oak exhibited the Reserve Division 3 Commercial Gilt and Champion Hampshire Market Hog. Her Hampshire was also third overall VIP market hog, which was another big accomplishment at the Iowa State Fair. (Empire Photography)

## New website launched for SWITA

SWIPCO, which operates Southwest Iowa Transit Agency (SWITA), is pleased to announce the launch of a new website focused on its public transit services.

"Southwest Iowans are very used to seeing SWITA buses," said SWIPCO Executive Director John McCurdy. "The question is, do they know that SWITA's public transit service is for everyone? With SWITA.com's launch, we will be able to reach many more people who can utilize public transportation."

McCurdy added that many in the region assume SWITA's transit service is only available to the elderly or disabled, but he notes that is only part of the service.

"All can ride, and we have many who ride SWITA to work and to school. You have somewhere to be, and SWITA takes you there," explained McCurdy.

The new website includes information about each of the types of transit services SWITA operates, including student and medical transportation, taxi, and work routes.

Riders can pay their bill and will even be able to request a ride through the website in the near future. Not to worry—the old-fashioned way of calling in to the office still works, too.

McCurdy strongly encourages everyone to take a few minutes to check out the swita.com website, not only to see about the services that are available, but also to let us know of any issues that they may see.

"We've been looking at this thing for months, but the volume of information on the website is huge, so we are more than happy to get any feedback to improve the site," commented McCurdy.

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